

# Knoxville Police Department 2015 Annual Report

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# LETTER FROM THE CHIEF

The Honorable Madeline Rogero  
Mayor, City of Knoxville

Dear Mayor Rogero,

The Knoxville Police Department annually prepares a report on the activities and achievements of the department. It is with great pleasure that I present the Knoxville Police Department's 2015 Annual Report .



During this past year, the department continued to focus on crime, traffic management and order maintenance. The Knoxville Police Department continued to be one of the top agencies in the state for crime clearance. During 2015, the department cleared 49.49% of Group A offenses committed in our jurisdiction. That compares to the state average of only 39%. In addition, members of the KPD effected 12,519 arrests this past year. Officers had more than 80,000 citizen contacts in 2015. Our officers only had to respond to resistance on 98 individuals. Officers did not have to use deadly force at all during 2015.

Several new initiatives were implemented in 2015. KPD was the first law enforcement agency in Tennessee to outfit officers with the opioid overdose lifesaving drug, Naloxone. Within 48 hours of deployment we saved the life of an overdose victim. Since then, several additional lives have been saved as a result of this program. Also in 2015, the department partnered with the White House Police Open Data Initiative to enhance trust and transparency with law enforcement while also creating an open data page on the KPD website. Additionally, KPD received the 7th Re-accreditation with the Meritorious Advanced Accreditation Award for Excellence from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA).

These are just a few examples of the exceptional work the men and women of the Knoxville Police Department do on a daily basis. As always, we look forward to continuing our positive relationship with you and City Council as we continue to improve the quality of life for the citizens of our great city.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Rausch".

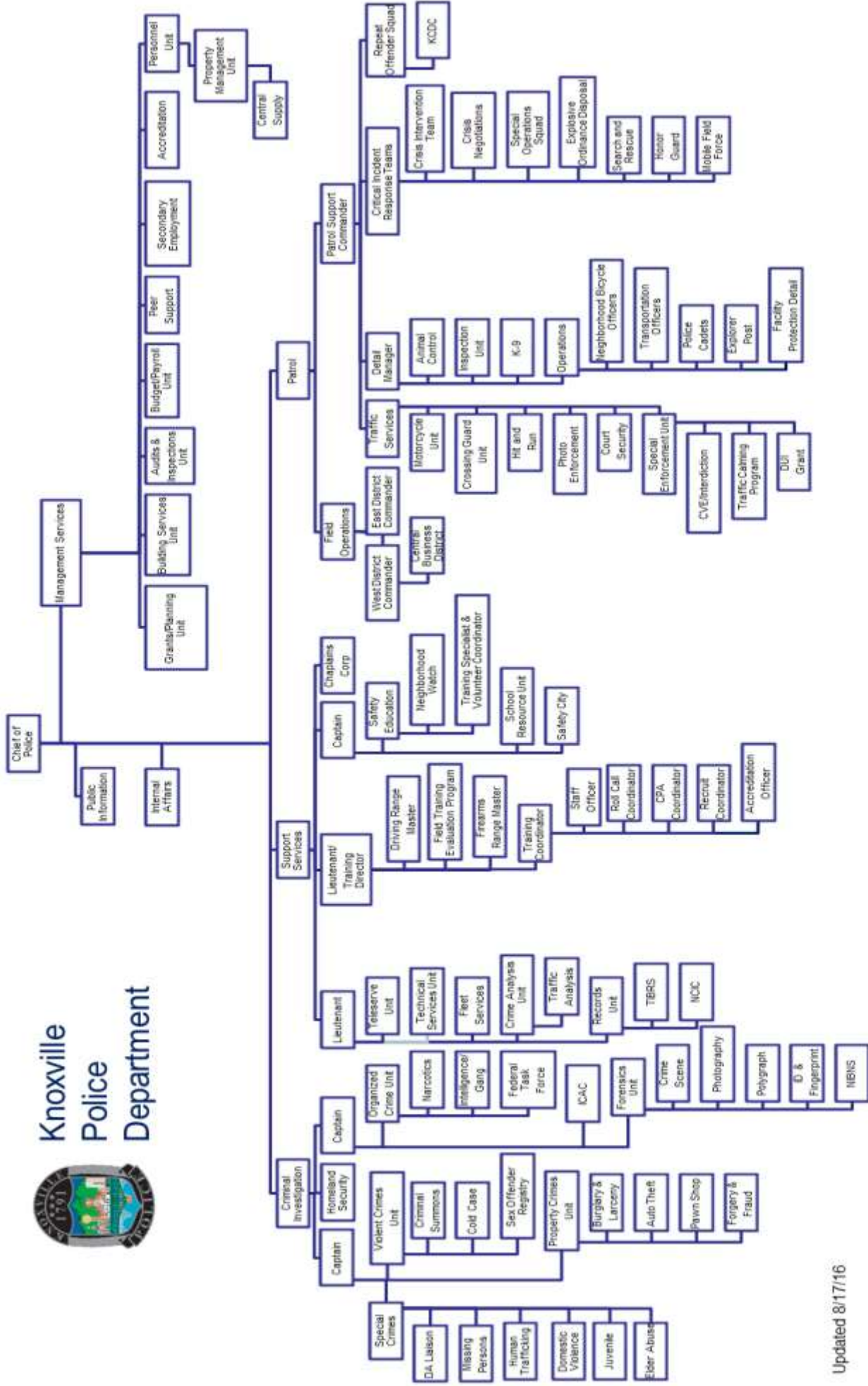
David Rausch

Chief of Police





# Knoxville Police Department



# CRIME TOTALS

## Knoxville Police Department- 2015

2014 Population Estimate 184,281

### Offense Overview

Offense Total 22,720  
Number Cleared 11,245  
Percent Cleared 49.49%

Group A Crimes per 100,000 population 12,,329.0

### Arrest Overview

Total Arrests 12,519  
Adult Arrests 11,472  
Juvenile Arrests 1,047  
Unknown Age 0

Arrests per 100,000 population 6,793.4

Average number offenses/incident 1.12

Domestic Violence Victims		
Offense	Reported	Cleared
Murder	4	4
Aggravated Assault	449	325
Simple Assault	2,010	1,396
Intimidation	152	98
Stalking	23	12
Forcible Rape	46	15
Forcible Sodomy	10	1
Sexual Assault W/Object	1	1
Forcible Fondling	32	5
Incest	6	0
Statutory Rape	3	1
Kidnapping/Abduction	33	21
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,769</b>	<b>1,879</b>

TIBRS Group A Arrests		
Offense	Adult	Juvenile
Bad Checks	0	0
Curfew/Vagrancy	0	32
Disorderly Conduct	296	139
DUI	646	2
Drunkenness	1,307	21
Family-Non Violent	2	0
Liquor Law Violations	12	19
Peeping Tom	2	0
Trespass	212	20
All Other Offenses	2,394	210
<b>Total Group B</b>	<b>4,871</b>	<b>443</b>

	Offenses		Arrests	
	Reported	Cleared	Adult	Juvenile
<b>TIBRS Group A Offenses</b>				
<b>Crimes Against Persons</b>				
Murder	22	16	9	3
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/Abduction	48	27	23	0
Forcible Rape	143	49	5	0
Forcible Sodomy	28	4	0	1
Sexual Assault W/Object	4	2	0	0
Forcible Fondling	80	20	7	0
Incest	6	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	20	6	1	0
Aggravated Assault	1150	741	302	23
Simple Assault	3249	2130	567	103
Intimidation	408	197	7	1
Stalking	50	24	3	0
Commercial Sex Acts	5	1	0	0
Involuntary Servitude	0	0	0	0
<b>Crimes Against Property</b>				
Arson	16	10	5	2
Bribery	6	6	4	0
Burglary	1880	387	283	22
Counterfeiting/Forgery	276	99	66	1
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	1753	432	82	38
Embezzlement	138	80	36	1
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0
Fraud- False Pretenses	221	90	44	1
Fraud- Credit Card/ATM	268	66	27	0
Fraud- Impersonation	239	172	118	12
Fraud- Welfare	0	0	0	0
Fraud- Wire	4	2	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	781	216	107	10
Robbery	383	141	82	4
Stolen Property Offenses	36	33	19	2
Theft- Pocket-picking	32	2	0	1
Theft- Purse Snatching	8	3	4	0
Theft- Shoplifting	3471	2677	2414	249
Theft From Building	1224	302	126	4
Theft From Coin Machine	26	5	4	3
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1847	133	107	11
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	578	34	41	0
Theft- All Other Larceny	1429	310	146	7
<b>Crimes Against Society</b>				
Drug/Narcotic Violations	1466	1442	1210	78
Drug/Narcotic Equipment Viola-tions	1140	1121	612	19
Gambling - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0	0
Gambling - Operating/Promoting	0	0	0	0
Gambling - Equipment Violations	2	2	0	0
Gambling - Sports Tampering	0	0	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	10	0	0	0
Prostitution	105	105	92	0
Prostitution Assisting/Promoting	3	2	1	0
Purchasing Prostitution	8	8	7	0
Weapon Law Violations	154	148	40	8
<b>Total Group A Offenses</b>	<b>22720</b>	<b>11245</b>	<b>6601</b>	<b>604</b>

## 2014 and 2015 Municipal Court Violation Comparison

		2014	2015	Diff	% Change
Alcoholic	18-20 Alcohol Violation # #	83	17	-66	-79.52%
	Open Beer/Consumption Of Beer	512	311	-201	-39.26%
	Other Alcohol Offenses	22	12	-10	-45.45%
	<b>Total Alcoholic Violations</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>-277</b>	<b>-44.89%</b>
Motor Veh/Traffic	Careless Driving	571	549	-22	-3.85%
	Child Restraint Law	294	204	-90	-30.61%
	Attachment of Plate Tag (Registration)	210	170	-40	-19.05%
	Disregarding Red Light	631	628	-3	-0.48%
	Drive Within Lane Lines	555	515	-40	-7.21%
	Fail To Obey Devices & Signs	1,048	1,158	110	10.50%
	Failure to Yield Violations (Right of Way...)	954	911	-43	-4.51%
	Following Too Closely	2,094	2,244	150	7.16%
	Illumination Of License Plate	400	502	102	25.50%
	Improper Headlights	486	572	86	17.70%
	Improper Lane Violations	400	326	-74	-18.50%
	Improper Lights On Rear Of Vehicle	1,246	1,139	-107	-8.59%
	Improper Stop Light	302	301	-1	-0.33%
	Improper Vehicle Registration/Tag	5,650	4,119	-1,531	-27.10%
	No Driver's License In Possession	5,171	5,155	-16	-0.31%
	No Headlights On	288	231	-57	-19.79%
	No Turn Signal Before Turning	68	103	35	51.47%
	Obstructed Driver's View (cracked windshield)	242	182	-60	-24.79%
	Proof Of Ins./Financial Responsibility # #	17,079	13,962	-3,117	-18.25%
	Reckless Driving	63	61	-2	-3.17%
	Safety Belt Law	4,078	2,716	-1,362	-33.40%
	Speeding Violations	26,206	21,375	-4,831	-18.43%
	Other Motor Vehicle Traffic Violations	1,787	1,701	-86	-4.81%
	<b>Total Motor Vehicle/Traffic Violations</b>	<b>69,823</b>	<b>58,824</b>	<b>-10,999</b>	<b>-15.75%</b>
Offenses	Disorderly Conduct	19	7	-12	-63.16%
	False Information To Police	19	20	1	5.26%
	Loitering	3	7	4	133.33%
	Trespassing On Property	71	80	9	12.68%
	Other Offense Violations	20	4	-16	-80.00%
	<b>Total Offenses Violations</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-10.61%</b>
	<b>Animal Control</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>1,523</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>24.43%</b>
	<b>Business Regs</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>-79</b>	<b>-39.90%</b>
	<b>Environmental</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>-46</b>	<b>-52.27%</b>
	<b>Fire Code</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>NC</b>
	<b>Noise</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14.13%</b>
	<b>Other / Unknown</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1500.00%</b>
	<b>Parks/Recreation</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-21.05%</b>
	<b>Vehicles for Hire</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>33.33%</b>
	<b>Total Municipal Court Violations</b>	<b>72,297</b>	<b>61,199</b>	<b>-11,098</b>	<b>-15.35%</b>
	<b>Parking Tickets</b>	<b>21,628</b>	<b>7,924</b>	<b>-13,704</b>	<b>-63.36%</b>
	<b>Lasercraft Citations</b>	<b>28,683</b>	<b>29,574</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>3.11%</b>
	<b>Grand Total Citations</b>	<b>122,608</b>	<b>98,697</b>	<b>-23,911</b>	<b>-19.50%</b>

Data reflected based on numbers received from City Court and Lasercraft and Analyzed as of 5/3/16

# IN MEMORY



Officer Reed Campbell  
Sergeant John Mitchell Coker  
Sergeant Cletus E. Ervin  
Chief William C. Fox  
Officer James D. Groover  
Captain Eleanor W. Guthrie  
Lieutenant Robert Hembree  
Sergeant Richard L. Lyon  
Chief Robert A. Marshall  
Officer Donald McClendon  
Officer Jack Melson  
Captain J.C. Odom  
Officer Bob A. Roach  
Lieutenant Richard L. Scruggs  
Officer Kenneth E. Slagle  
Officer David Stansberry  
K-9 Officer Argo



# OFFICERS OF THE MONTH



**Officer James Williams**  
February



**Officer Joseph Bowers**  
June



**Officer Jonathan Book**  
February



**Officer Andrew Markham**  
June



**Officer Jordan Henderson**  
March



**Sgt. Mike Fowler**  
July



**Officer Jason Kalmanek**  
May



**Officer Adam Broome**  
July



**Officer David Ogle**  
May



**Officer James Wilson**  
*August (Purple Heart)*



# OFFICERS OF THE MONTH



**Officer Sam Henard**  
September



**Officer Keith Lyons**  
October



**Lt. Brian Evans**  
September



**Officer Eric Parks**  
October



**Officer Ron Trentham**  
September



**Officer Joshua Dykes**  
November  
*Lifesaving Award*



**Officer Lawrence Presnell**  
September



**Officer Jonathan Book**  
December



**Officer Wally Spitzer**  
September



**Officer James Williams**  
December

# OFFICERS OF THE MONTH (CONTINUED)



**Officer Zack Wilson**

December

# CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



**Ms. Julie Small**  
January and February



**Mr. Eric Miller**  
February

# UNIT AWARD Training Staff





## **OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

**Officer Joshua Dykes**



## **EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR**

**Ms. Julie Small**

## **EXPLORER OF THE YEAR**

**Hayden Marshall**



# OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE



## **Mission Statement** **Pursuit of Excellence in Performance and Service**

The Knoxville Police Department shall strive for excellence in performance and delivery of services to the total community. We will recruit, employ and maintain personnel who reflect high professional standards. The quality of performance will be evaluated by the department standards established to measure overall effectiveness. As we look to the future, it will be in a progressive and flexible manner that will meet tomorrow's community needs.



## Internal Affairs

The focus of the Internal Affairs Unit is to investigate and monitor allegations of misconduct that come from concerned citizens, employees and/or supervisory personnel within the city. While Internal Affairs is primarily focused on misconduct within the police department, the unit also conducts investigations within other city departments. The Internal Affairs Unit is committed to maintaining the integrity of the Knoxville Police Department and other city departments through fair and impartial investigations. In addition to conducting investigations, the Internal Affairs Unit also completes pre-employment background investigations on all police department employees and Knoxville firefighters. Upon request, this same service is extended to other departments within the city. The unit also administers and oversees the Professional Excellence Program.

In 2015, the Internal Affairs Unit received 189 additional phone calls, walk-ins, or e-mails that were addressed, but did not warrant an official investigation. In most of these cases the complainants were advised by a member of IAU or referred to the proper division or district. In some cases the complainants were referred to the appropriate agency when the subject of the complaint was not employed by KPD.

Internal Affairs Investigations		
2015	Cases	Referrals
Sworn Personnel		
First Degree	10	2
Second Degree	0	2
Third Degree	3	3
Fourth Degree	2	3
Fifth Degree	0	0
Sixth Degree	0	0
Seventh Degree	1	1
Pending	0	0
<b>Total Sworn</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>

## Investigation Classifications

**First Degree-Sustained:** The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence to believe the incident occurred. Recommendation for appropriate disciplinary action is made.

**Second Degree-Not Sustained:** Investigation discloses insufficient evidence either to prove or disprove the allegation.

**Third Degree-Exonerated:** The incident complained of occurred; however, the actions of the employee were lawful and proper.

**Fourth Degree-Unfounded:** The investigation disclosed that the act complained of never occurred, and therefore is false. (This may apply to one or all accusations against the employee.)

**Fifth Degree-Policy Failure:** If the complaint investigation concludes that the allegation is true, but the employee's actions were consistent with department policy, the complaint will be classified as "exonerated – policy failure."

**Sixth Degree-Partially Sustained:** The incident has two (2) or more allegations and at least one (1) of the allegations is sustained.

**Seventh Degree-Infraction Not Based Upon Original Offense:** A substantiated infraction not mentioned in the initial allegation was disclosed by the investigator.

**No Action:** Investigative file only.

Internal Affairs Investigations		
2015	Cases	Referrals
Non-Sworn Personnel		
First Degree	4	0
Seventh Degree	1	0
<b>Total Sworn Personnel</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>

## Public Information Office

The Public Information Office is staffed by one person. The department utilizes trained assistant public information officers that are assigned to various units. These officers have the responsibility of responding to media inquiries and providing access to information on a twenty four hour basis. In addition to daily updates provided to the media, more than 100 news releases and news conferences were given in 2015.

# MANAGEMENT SERVICES

**The Audits and Inspections Detail conducted the following inspections, reviews, and audits during 2015:**

Management Services and Office of Chief of Police Civilian Personnel	
Administrative Supervisor	1
Administrative Technician	3
Executive Assistant	1
Maintenance Crew Leader	1
Office Assistant II	2
Police & Planning Grant Manager	2
Principal Secretary	2
Public Information Officer	1
Skilled Trades Craftsworker	2
Stores System Clerk	1

- The unit conducted staff inspections on ten different components of the police department during 2015.
- Two different property/evidence rooms are maintained by the department, both of which were audited or inspected twice during 2015.
- Four inspections regarding the readiness of equipment maintained for critical incidents was conducted on the Central Supply Detail.
- There were four inspections conducted on computer workstations at the Law Enforcement Training Academy.
- The unit performed two inventories on controlled substances used for training and organized crime investigations.
- The unit performed two inventories on explosives maintained by the department for training of canines and explosive ordnance disposal personnel.
- Two inventories of firearms were conducted on the Firearms Testing Unit.

## Audit and Inspections Detail

The Audit and Inspections Detail provides the Chief of Police, senior and mid-level managers, and first line supervisors with a means of regularly assessing the efficiency and effectiveness of the department and provides information necessary to affect change. Staff inspections promote an objective review of administrative and operational activities, facilities, property, equipment, and personnel outside the normal supervisory chain of command. All components of the police department are inspected on a three-year cycle.

## Accreditation Unit

The Accreditation Unit is responsible for the police department's continuing compliance with comprehensive international law enforcement standards developed by the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) as well as state accreditation standards developed by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Accreditation (TLEA) program. During 2015, the KPD received its eighth re-accreditation from CALEA and the department received the Meritorious Advanced Accreditation Award for Excellence. The unit is also responsible for ensuring compliance with CALEA's public safety training academy standards applicable to the department's Law Enforcement Training Academy. The Accreditation Unit also supports the accreditation efforts of other agencies across the State of Tennessee and around the country. The unit provided information and assistance to 53 different agencies during the year regarding accreditation issues. Department personnel participated in seven mock assessments where they assisted other agencies in preparation for onsite assessments by CALEA.

All written directives were reviewed during the year and there were 26 revisions to directives throughout the year.

## **Budget Office**

The Budget Office is responsible for overseeing the budget for the department including payroll and all expending of funds. Functions include day-to-day approval of expenditures, managing incoming revenue, and time and attendance records. The budget for fiscal year 2015 was approximately \$55,027,510.

## **Planning and Grants Office**

The Planning and Grants Office is responsible for overseeing both short-term and strategic planning. The office oversees the grant application process, administration of all federal and state grants and delivery of new programs for the department. In 2015, the Planning and Grants office managed \$5,000,000 of grant funds for the Knoxville Police Department.

### **Federal Grant Funding:**

- Family Justice Center
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
- Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE)
- Project Safe Neighborhoods
- Homeland Security
- Justice Assistance Grants
- Elder Abuse
- Domestic Violence

### **State Grants:**

- Highway Safety Enforcement and Education
- Domestic Violence Program
- State ICAC allocation
- State Family Justice Center
- Targeted Community Crime Reduction Program

## **Central Supply Unit**

The Central Supply Unit maintains an inventory of supplies and equipment for the department, purchases general office supplies, purchases emergency supplies, and maintains used officer uniforms and equipment.

## **Building Services Unit**

The Building Services Unit is responsible for providing maintenance for eight sites associated with the Knoxville Police Department.

### **Building Services Facilities:**

- Knoxville Police Department Headquarters
- East Patrol Precinct
- 5th Avenue (OCU, Technical Services, Animal Control, and Traffic Services)
- K-9 Kennel
- Moses Center Training Academy
- Phil E. Keith Training Center
- ICAC Building
- Safety City

## **Personnel Unit**

The Personnel Unit is responsible for all aspects of personnel management for employees of the Knoxville Police Department.

### **Personnel Unit Duties:**

- Coordinates training and transfer opportunities
- Administers random drug and alcohol testing for all sworn officers and civilian employees with access to safety sensitive information
- Coordinates, schedules, and processes requests for secondary employment
- Disseminates annual and promotional performance evaluations
- Assists in the promotional process
- Represents the department in all personnel matters
- Coordinates requisitions for vacancies within the department
- Schedules interviews
- Assists with the interview, selection and orientation process for new employees
- Recruits potential officers

Separation in Employment			
2015			
Name	Date of Employment	Date of Separation	Reason
Brian Moran	3-20-95	1-28-2015	Resigned
Kelly Tanner	8-03-98	3-20-15	Resigned
Woody Bingham	12-02-02	4-24-15	Resigned
Robert Hembree	1-06-97	6-29-15	Deceased
Shawn Neal	1-15-01	6-26-15	Resigned
Guy Smith	1-22-07	6-26-15	Resigned
Bryan Schreiber	6-26-06	7-17-15	Resigned
Roy King , Jr.	7-04-11	9-28-15	Resigned
Deric Runge	7-4-11	10-12-15	Resigned

2015 Knoxville Police Department Personnel by Race	
Black	5.3%
White	92.8%
Other	1.9%

## Retirement 2015



**Donna Carter**

Date of Employment: 4-24-89

Date of Separation: 3-31-2015



**Dick Taylor**

Date of Employment: 11-16-81

Date of Separation: 7-31-2015



# PATROL DIVISION

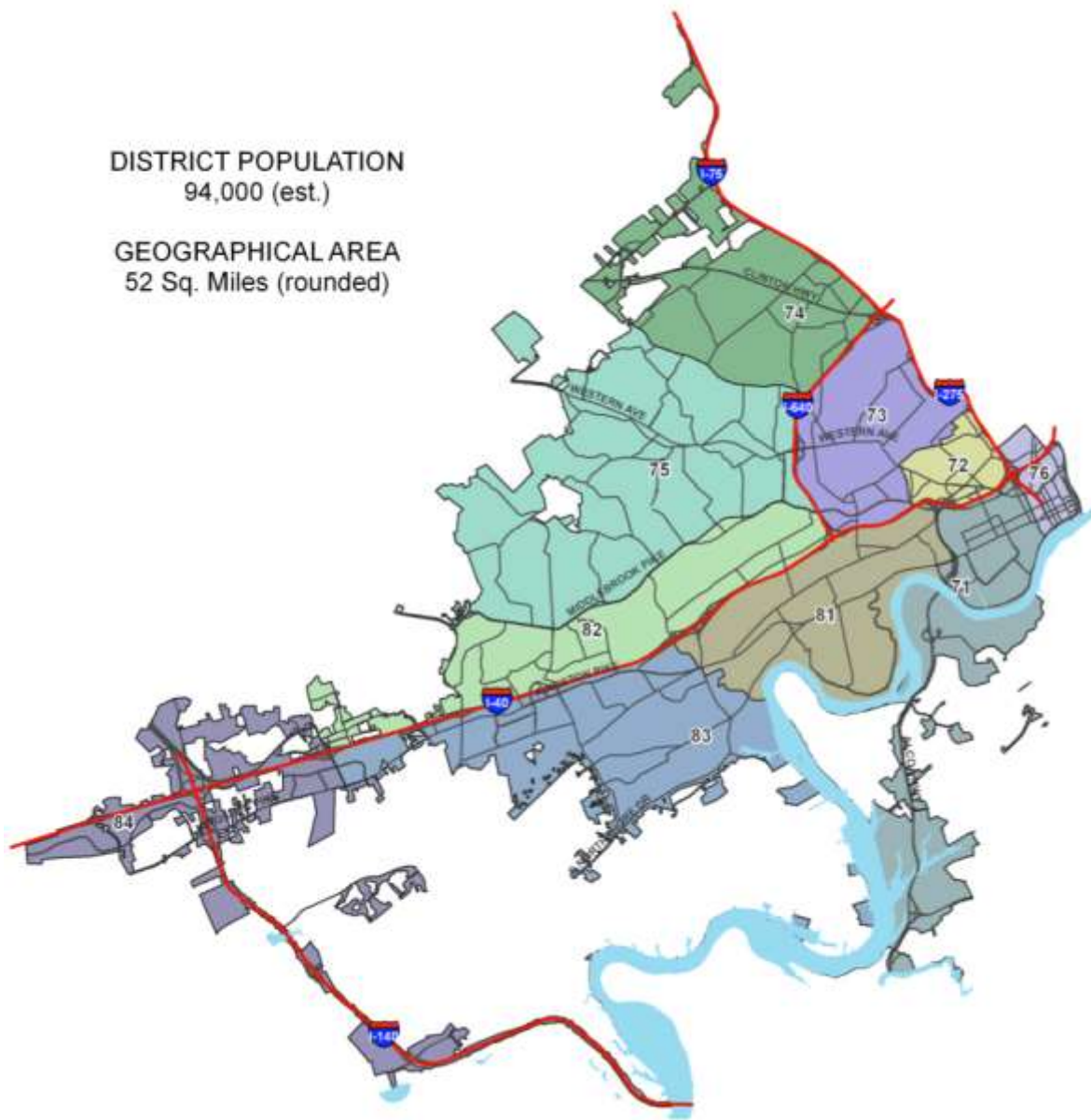


## **Mission Statement** **Pursuit of Excellence in Ethics and Values**

Knowing that law enforcement officers are held to a higher standard of conduct, the officers of the Knoxville Police Department shall strive to uphold the highest ethical ideals in both their professional and private lives. We shall take an active role in establishing and maintaining a professional image of law enforcement in all our contacts with the public we serve through honesty and integrity.

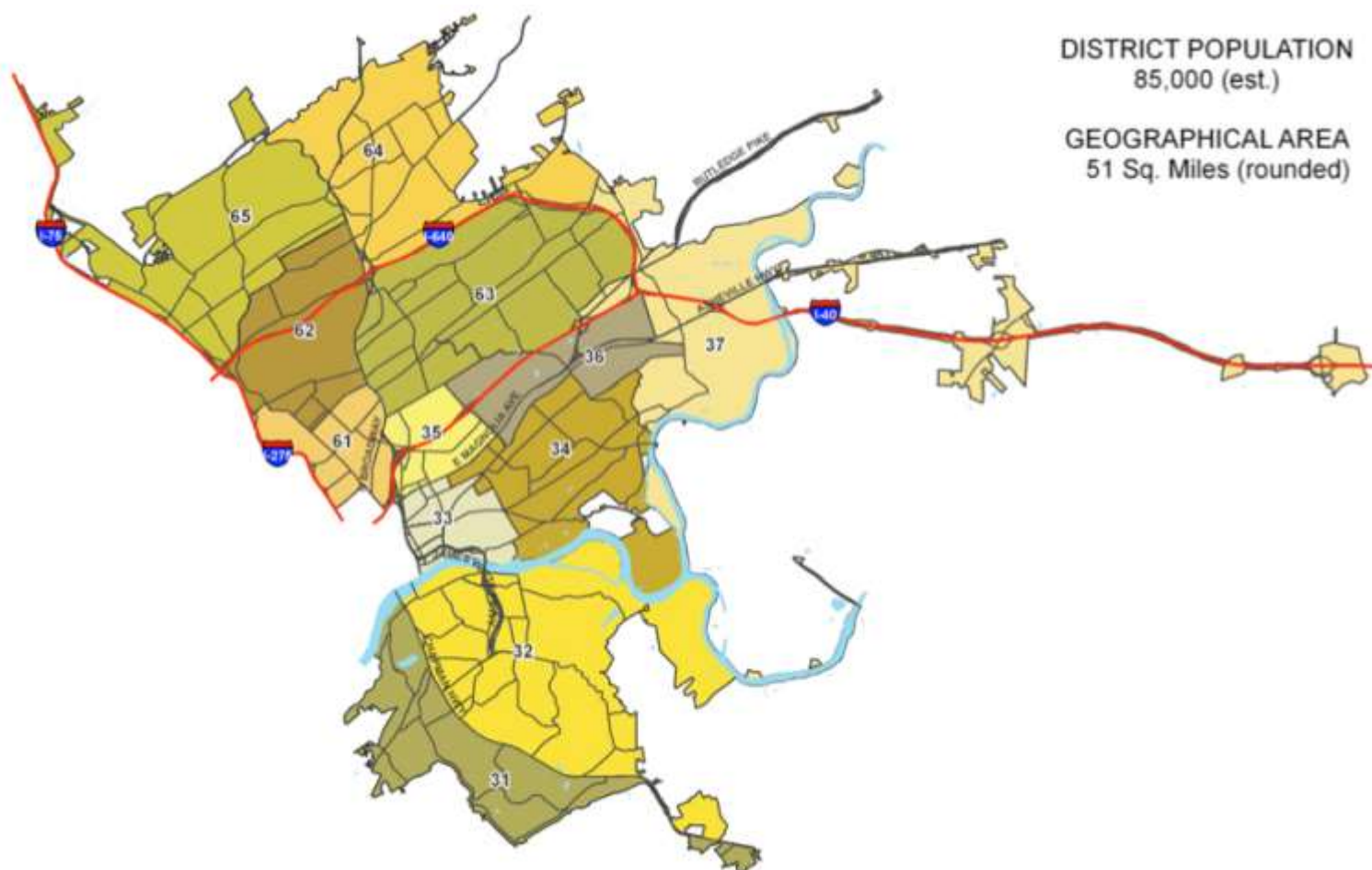
Patrol Division Civilian Personnel	
Animal Control Officer	4
Animal Control	4
Animal Control Supervisor	1
Crossing Guard	30
Office Assistant II	3
Police Cadet	10
Principal Secretary	1
Transportation Officer	4
Transportation Officer Sr.	2

# WEST DISTRICT



The West District provides services to approximately 52.25 square miles of the city. The district boundaries are west of I-75/I-275 and the James White Parkway to the Turkey Creek development near Farragut. The area includes the University of Tennessee and the downtown Central Business District. The district includes shopping and entertainment areas such as the Old City, Market Square, Cumberland Avenue, Bearden, West Town Mall, and Turkey Creek. It also includes several miles of bike trails and Third Creek, West Hills, Turkey Creek, and Victor Ashe parks as well as Danny Mayfield and Lonsdale community parks.

# EAST DISTRICT



## East District

Geographically, the East District is 51 square miles. It is bordered by I-275 / I-75 on the west, Emory Road to the north, John Sevier Highway to the south, and Midway Road to the east. This area of neighborhoods and thriving businesses is a great example of the diversity of the city and citizens of Knoxville.



## Repeat Offender Squad 2015 Highlights

### Repeat Offender Squad

The Repeat Offender Squad's (ROS) primary areas of focus are:

- Repeat violent offenders
- Violent street gangs
- Street level illegal drug sales
- Repeat property crime violators
- Street level prostitution

The ROS works closely with Property Crimes investigators of the Knoxville Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division as well as beat officers in the Patrol Division. ROS conducts gang suppression operations, which are joint operations with ROS, Organized Crime Unit (OCU), Patrol and Knoxville Community Development Corporation (KCDC) officers. The officers target known problem areas, and when they identify illegal activity or a person wanted on warrants, they move in and make arrests. ROS uses undercover officers to make drug purchases from street dealers and known gang members, and they use confidential informants to gather information to make drug purchases. ROS works closely with Tennessee State Probation/Parole officers, local United States Attorney General's Office (USAG), Knox County Attorney General's Office (KCAG), DEA, FBI, and ATF.

- Served 170 search warrants
- Recovered narcotics including: crack cocaine, powder cocaine, marijuana, marijuana plants, heroin, Oxycodone, Xanax, Opana/ Oxymorphone, Soma, Morphine, Adderall, THC, Hydrocodone.
- Recovered firearms including: 31 handguns and 8 long guns

### Motorcycle Unit

The Blue Hawk Motorcycle Unit's main focus is the reduction of traffic collisions throughout the city, with proactive traffic enforcement and effective crash investigation. The secondary function of the unit is to staff special events. In 2015, the unit participated in 12 parades and 44 Runs/Walks.

Motorcycle Activity for 2015	
<b>Arrests</b>	96
<b>Citations Issued</b>	12,142
<b>Accidents Investigated</b>	3,446
<b>Community Relations</b>	29
<b>Special Event/ Escorts</b>	38
<b>Traffic Control Assignments</b>	69





## K-9 Detail

The K-9 Detail officer/canine teams are intensively trained to work together to provide a variety of services to the citizens of Knoxville. Officer/canine teams are routinely used to find drugs, search buildings, track suspects and others, detect explosives, assist in crowd control, perform other patrol tasks, and provide protection to dignitaries and to their human partners.

### 2015 K-9 Detail Highlights

- Answered 1,114 Calls for Service
- Searched 916 vehicles, 6 buildings, 2 schools, and 103 packages for drugs
- Seized 125 pounds of marijuana, 1093.09 ounces of cocaine, 58.03 grams of heroin, 165.8 grams of Meth, 13,003 illicit pills, and 292.9 grams MDMA
- Seized 20 vehicles, \$95,973, and 56 guns
- Made 502 misdemeanor and 298 felony arrests
- EOD Bomb dog completed 45 special assignments, 3 school/gun sweeps, 246 vehicle sweeps, 15 building sweeps, and 85 packages.
- Searched 99 buildings resulting in 51 K-9 apprehensions



## DUI Enforcement Program

The DUI Enforcement Program focuses its enforcement efforts in locations where there are high rates of alcohol-related incidents. Officers participating in the DUI Enforcement Program issued 3,381 citations and made 474 arrests, of which 103 were for DUI.

## Traffic Calming Initiative

The Traffic Calming Initiative targets speeding and traffic violators in Knoxville neighborhoods. During 2015, while working the Traffic Calming Initiative, officers issued 19,350 citations and made 324 arrests.

## Hit and Run Detail /Red Light Camera Enforcement Program

The Hit & Run Detail reviews all Hit & Run events that occur within the City of Knoxville and serves as the liaison contact for the Automated Red Light Camera Enforcement. All automated enforcement incidents are reviewed by KPD officers to determine if a violation has been committed prior to any citation being issued.

## City Court Security

The Traffic Services Unit is responsible for security for the City of Knoxville Municipal Court. The City Court Bailiff is responsible for security in the courtroom and assists citizens who appear in Municipal Court during day and night court sessions. Municipal Court is held Monday through Friday.

2015 Collisions				
Total Crashes	East	West	Unknown	Total
Fatal	12	11	0	23
Injury	644	1,014	1	1,659
Property Damage	2,721	5,327	4	8,052
Totals	3,377	6,352	5	9,734
Percentage of Collisions	34.69%	65.26%	0.05%	100%

## Crisis Negotiations Unit

The Crisis Negotiations Unit responds to incidents that require officers trained in crisis intervention and negotiation techniques to deescalate, stabilize, and peacefully resolve a wide array of situations when dealing with persons in crisis.

## Special Operations Squad

The Special Operations Squad (SOS) is assigned to respond to high-risk incidents requiring specialized training and/or equipment. Members of the team train to perform as a highly disciplined unit during any unusual occurrence. Potential incidents might include hostage situations, barricaded subjects, acts of terrorism, riot control, dignitary protection, mass arrest situations, sniper situations, civil defense and high risk warrant service.

## Transportation Unit

The Transportation Unit is utilized for transporting prisoners from the field to the intake center or other appropriate facilities. The Transportation Unit is staffed with uniformed civilian members of the department, allows for arresting police officers to quickly return to service after an arrest, and provides an alternative means of transporting unruly and combative prisoners.

## School Crossing Guards

The School Crossing Guard function of the Knoxville Police Department is part of the Traffic Services Division. This unique function of the Police Department is staffed entirely with part-time employees. The department has 32 crossing guards working at schools throughout the City of Knoxville during the times students arrive and are dismissed from school. They work to ensure our school zones are safe for the walking and motoring public.

## Teleserve Unit

The Teleserve Unit is a telephone investigations unit that provides citizens with a convenient alternative for reporting certain non-violent crimes. Sworn personnel staff the Teleserve Unit 24 hours a day seven days a week. The unit provides citizens with a location to obtain advice via the telephone, call in non-urgent complaints, request property checks and make reports for crimes that are not in progress.

Total Reports compared to Teleserve Reports based on Crimes Against Property		Departmental Percentage of Reports Gener- ated by Tele- serve
01/01/15 – 12/31/15	Teleserve Total	
All other Larceny	967	63.20%
Arson	0	0
Bad Checks	1	50.00%
Bribery	0	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	469	24.75%
Counterfeiting/Forgery	164	58.16%
Credit Card/Automatic Teller Fraud	252	86.30%
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	821	46.52%
Embezzlement	99	69.23%
Extortion/Blackmail	3	60%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	190	70.11%
Impersonation	134	44.08%
Motor Vehicle Theft	656	76.55%
Pocket-Picking	20	60.61%
Shoplifting	922	26.88%
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0
Theft From Building	1,110	85.45%
Theft From Coin Operated Machine or Device	22	84.62%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1,582	85.28%
Theft From Motor Vehicle Parts/ Accessories	542	92.02%
Wire Fraud	5	62.50%
	<b>7,959</b>	<b>55.80%</b>



## **Animal Control Unit**

The Animal Control Unit is responsible for responding to all calls for service involving domestic animals, livestock calls, investigating cruelty complaints, and picking up sick or injured wildlife within the city limits. The unit is also responsible for inspecting all pet shops, issuing permits for exhibitions involving animals, and special-animal permits. The unit also issues permits for commercial and non-commercial kennel operations, orders and delivers city license tags, and collects monies and receipts from 52 area veterinarians.

### **Animal Control 2015 Highlights**

- Handled 8 dangerous dog cases
- Approved 67 applications regarding Urban Hen Ordinance since the ordinance implementation in 2011.
- Answered 8,229 calls for service including 3,003 for animal pick-up and issued 451 citations
- Officers initiated 4,964 calls, resulting in the pick-up of 518 animals and issued 440 citations

## **Knoxville Community Development Corporation Detail**

The Knoxville Community Development Corporation (KCDC) Detail conducts security/police operations in public housing areas throughout the City of Knoxville.

The supplemental patrols consist of off-duty police officers that provide services in all of the public housing areas throughout the city. These officers responded to calls for police services and conducted proactive policing activities in their assigned developments. The officers also supplemented Organized Crime Unit, Repeat Offender Squad, and Patrol during special and tactical operations

During 2015, KCDC Patrols conducted 1,106 walking patrols and 194 walk and talks. KCDC officers conducted 203 preliminary investigations, issued 1,216 citations, made 542 arrests for misdemeanor charges, and 85 arrest for felony charges, completed 142 security reports, removed 613 non-residents, conducted 194 crowd controls, and recovered 33 stolen vehicles.

Investigations conducted by these officers resulted in the confiscation of 33 handguns, 1 long gun, 117.16 grams of cocaine/crack cocaine, 2874.02 grams of marijuana, 203.5 illegal pills, 28.9 grams of heroin and 106 items of drug paraphernalia. Officers also seized \$6,795.00.

## **Search and Rescue Team**

The Search and Rescue team's primary mission is to conduct missing person searches, to identify witnesses and to assist in other criminal investigative matters. To ensure that the team continue to hone search skills, the team trains on a monthly basis.



## Inspections Unit

The Inspections Unit is responsible for enforcing local and state laws that pertain to the sale of alcoholic beverages and vehicles for-hire. In addition to enforcement duties, the unit:

- Reviews background checks of beer permit applicants and prepares reports for each Beer Board meeting
- Processes driver permit applications and issues permits, inspects vehicles for-hire, and maintains records regarding each company and driver
- Investigates complaints and monitors the conduct of wrecker companies and drivers
- Issues booting licenses
- Monitors Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) cage fighting events throughout the city to ensure compliance with state law
- Accepts and processes applications for secondhand dealer license.

### 2015 Inspections Unit Highlights

- Processed thirteen (13) secondhand dealer license applications, which grossed \$650.00.
- Conducted forty-nine (49) background checks for applicants and their employees.
- Coordinated 50 Tennessee Alcohol Server Knowledge (TASK) classes with 894 students in attendance
- Cited 1 establishments for non-compliance with the annual TASK attendance requirement
- Conducted 12 alcohol compliance checks involving 352 establishments, of which 57 sold or served alcohol to an underage patron.
- Processed 103 new Beer Permit applications
- Fingerprinted and completed background checks on 217 alcohol establishment owners and managers.
- Reviewed 16 special noise permits and monitored the events for compliance
- Processed 281 vehicle for-hire driver permits, 129 renewal permits, and 152 new driver permits
- Inspected 142 taxis, 24 limos, 19 sedans
- Issued 85 alcohol-related citations
- Issued 24 citations and made 12 arrests for other citations

## Police Cadet Program

The Police Cadet Program provides individuals who are between the ages of 18 and 21 the opportunity to pursue a career in law enforcement. Cadets receive law enforcement training and have the opportunity to attend college utilizing the City of Knoxville's tuition reimbursement benefit. Cadet duties include parking enforcement, supplementing the department's Teleserve Unit, traffic direction during special events, and speaking at career days and job fairs. This program also serves as an enhancement in recruiting future police officers and developing future ranks for the Knoxville Police Department. Upon successful completion of the Cadet Program, cadets are eligible for employment as a police officer with the City of Knoxville.

In 2015, cadets issued a total of 6,010 parking citations for violations ranging from parking meter infractions, fire lane violations, and parking in a disabled zone. In addition, the cadets impounded 414 vehicles while conducting parking enforcement and supplemented the Teleserve unit by completing 493 reports.





## Bomb Squad Explosive Ordnance

### Disposal

Bomb Squad Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) is responsible for providing safe procedures for handling Improvised Explosive Devices (IED's) and Unexploded Ordnance (military UXO); procedures for recovery and disposal of commercial and military explosives; investigation of bombing incidents, including attempts and hoaxes, and post-blast incidents, explosives breaching operations; and support of SOS and Negotiator Operations through the use of explosives breaching or robot operations. The Bomb Squad also provides support to federal agencies including: Federal Bureau of Investigation, Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms and Explosives, United States Postal Service Inspectors, Transportation Security Agency, Homeland Security, United States Secret Service and Department of Energy. The Bomb Squad has memorandums of understanding with several local law enforcement agencies in surrounding counties to provide services when requested.

Bomb Squad Calls	
Suspicious or hoax device packages	18
Recovery	39
Bomb Threats/ Searches	7
Post Blast Investigation	3
Total calls for service	67



### Explorer Post

The Explorer Post of the Knoxville Police Department is a scouting program designed to introduce young men and women ages 14 to 20 to law enforcement as a potential career. Explorers are volunteers who meet regularly to learn about law enforcement. Additionally, explorers learn skills that provide them with a solid foundation to become productive members of our community. The Explorers are assigned to the District Support Unit of the Patrol Division and provide working support to the department.

### Explorer Highlights for 2015

- Held 30 meetings and training sessions
- Assisted the department at 37 events
- Provided traffic and crowd control at all home UT football games and TVA&I Fair
- Collected litter and reported maintenance issues at the historic Fort Dickerson Park as part of the City's Adopt-A-Park Program
- Participated in Shop with a Cop at Christmas time
- Donated a total of 2,173 volunteer hours to the department and community



## Mobile Field Force

The Mobile Field Force (MMF) is currently comprised of 28 members divided into three squads.

### 2015 Mobile Field Force Highlights :

- The MFF had two large and one limited deployment for protest events in 2015. MFF leadership responded to 6 events for observation and coordination with patrol supervisors.
- The entire MFF was formally placed in standby status for 2 events in 2015.
- The MFF was charged with staffing Cumberland Avenue on Friday and Saturday evenings of University of Tennessee Football games.

## Honor Guard

The primary purpose of the Honor Guard is to honor and stand watch over law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The Honor Guard team takes pride in the law enforcement profession and strives to present a positive and professional image to the general public. Other missions include civic events where the team posts and retires the colors, awards ceremonies and all other events that fall within the parameters of the Honor Guard.

## Marine Unit

The Marine Unit provides marine patrols, boat safety checks and education, assists disabled boaters and swimmers, and enforces boating laws. All of its members are trained and commissioned annually by the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency (TWRA) to enforce boating laws. The unit patrolled waterways during Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day (Boomsday) holidays. In addition, the unit patrolled Volunteer Landing and the Volunteer Marina during all University of Tennessee home football games and participated in several demonstrations. The unit regularly assisted TWRA during special events such as National Operation Dry Water Week-end. In 2015, the unit conducted 22 patrols.

## District Support Bike Unit

The main objective of the unit is to relieve patrol officers from policing parks and greenways, which allows officers to concentrate on calls for service on their assigned beats. The City of Knoxville has 46 greenways and 81 parks. In addition to the 65 miles of greenway trails, there is a 35 mile Urban Wilderness loop in south Knoxville.

During 2015, the DSU Bike Officers conducted 2,911 directed patrols in parks and greenways. The Bike Unit investigated 56 homeless camp complaints, conducted 7 graffiti abatement operations, special event security, and assisted with the Urban Wilderness mapping.



# **Criminal Investigation Division**

## **Mission Statement**

### **Pursuit of Excellence in Interaction of the Police with the Community**

We are committed to a police-community partnership in providing the delivery of police services. We shall accept a leadership role in increasing community understanding of our abilities and limitations. Proactive policing and crime prevention shall be our primary focus.

### **Violent Crimes Unit**

The Violent Crimes Unit is responsible for the investigation of all reported homicides, assaults, rapes, and robberies. The unit also manages the Sex Offender Registry, Walk in Warrants Department, and a Cold Case Investigator.

In 2015, the Violent Crimes Unit investigated 22 homicides. The unit investigated reports of 1,150 aggravated assaults, 3,249 simple assaults, 20 rapes, and 383 robberies. The Violent Crimes investigators successfully recovered 2 juveniles, unharmed after a regional Amber Alert investigations.

### **Pawn Shop Detail**

The Pawn Shop Detail is responsible for working with all pawn shops and second-hand stores within the city. Inspections of area pawn shops and second hand stores are conducted to ensure that businesses are complying with city ordinances and state law. Using Leads-On-Line (the records management/ reporting system) for second-hand stores and pawn shops, the detail has recovered over \$288,000 of reported stolen merchandise.

### **Forgery and Fraud Detail**

The Forgery and Fraud Detail is responsible for investigating forgeries, scams, embezzlements, fraudulent use of credit card as well as internet-related fraud cases. This detail receives a number of Internet Crimes Complaint Center referrals from the National White Collar Crime Center (NWCC) that occurred in our jurisdiction. .

### **Auto Theft Detail**

The Auto Theft Detail is responsible for investigating all theft cases of vehicles occurring in the city's jurisdiction including: heavy equipment, airplanes, trailers, and boats. The detail investigates cases involving stolen auto parts and monitors all facets of the vehicle impound lot. The detail reviews and investigates all vehicles placed on hold at the impound lot, clears all vehicles placed in the stolen car lot before releasing them to the owner, and reviews and checks paperwork on vehicles sold in the monthly impound sale. The detail collects physical evidence and ensures evidence is recovered from vehicles when necessary. In 2015, the detail received 578 cases to investigate.

### **Metal Theft Detail**

The Metal Theft Detail is responsible for investigating all crimes involving metals. Officers routinely conduct inspections of scrap yards to ensure owners are in compliance with regulations and laws.

### **Property Crimes Unit**

The Property Crimes Unit consists of the Burglary and Larceny Detail, Pawn Shop Detail, Auto Theft Detail, Metal Theft Detail and Forgery and Fraud Detail.

## Forensic Unit

The Forensic Unit is comprised of six special details: Crime Scene Processing, Fingerprint Identification, Firearms Identification, Photo Lab, Phone Forensics and Polygraph. Through these specialties, the unit provides services ranging from bullet comparisons to crime scene reconstruction. The Knoxville Police Department, in partnership with area colleges and universities, hosts forensic science student interns throughout the year. The unit also provides presentations to area citizens' groups, scouts, and school groups. The crime scene response personnel and supervisors are all graduates of the University of Tennessee National Forensic Academy located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

The Forensics Unit responded to over 4,262 calls for service in 2015, with calls ranging from simple vandalism to homicide. The unit is responsible for gathering evidence from crime scenes such as blood spatter pattern documentation, latent fingerprints, DNA trace evidence, bullets, shell casings, shoe impressions, chemically developed bloody handprints, impression casting of footprints, and tool marks and fingerprints from weapons used in crimes.



## Special Crimes Unit

The mission of the Special Crimes Unit is to protect victims of child abuse and domestic violence through complete investigations that hold perpetrators accountable and increases victim safety through professional advocacy. To meet its purpose, the unit thoroughly investigates abuse cases involving the physical neglect, physical abuse and/or sexual abuse of a child. Special Crimes handles missing person reports for both juveniles and adults. Domestic violence cases involve abuse between family members, former in-laws, dating couples, roommates, and others.

Three KPD counselors provided personal assistance to victims. The Family Crimes Unit sent out information packets to domestic violence victims that included information regarding the warning signs of abusive behavior, safety planning, and resources through the Knoxville Family Justice Center. The unit's program manager made 31 presentations to audiences totaling 893 individuals throughout the year in an effort to educate about domestic violence and child abuse related issues.





## **Firearms Detail**

The Firearms Detail is participating in the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearm's (ATF) National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) program. The detail is responsible for imaging firearm evidence collected and then searching and comparing the evidence against a national database. Positive database search results are confirmed with the use of a comparison microscope. In 2015, over 1,001 microscopic comparisons were performed resulting in 112 positive matches. The Firearms Detail also assists area, state, and federal agencies with various firearms-related investigative issues, along with the sharing of investigative resources, such as the test firing tank and indoor range.

## **Fingerprint Detail**

The Fingerprint Detail uses the nationwide-computerized Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) to assist officers and investigators in matching fingerprints to unidentified suspects and victims. The detail searches for evidence left behind by suspects at every crime scene. Collected latent prints are then hand entered into AFIS. The detail is responsible for matching the latent prints to the identified suspect. Other agencies throughout eastern Tennessee routinely call upon the detail to help identify victims and suspects in homicides and burglaries. In 2015, over 475 searches were conducted. There were 717 AFIS identifications made and 62 non-AFIS. A total of 343 individuals were identified in 2015.

## **Crime Scene Detail**

Some of the forensic services provided by the Crime Scene Detail include: latent fingerprint identification, blood spatter analysis, firearms reconstruction, firearm bullet and shell casing matching and processing and preservation of evidence collected at crime scenes.

Crime scenes may also be documented with photography, videotaping, field sketches and laser data plotting of crime scenes with the use of the Delta Sphere or Total Station instruments. The services provided by this detail support the officers, investigators, and court prosecutors during trials.

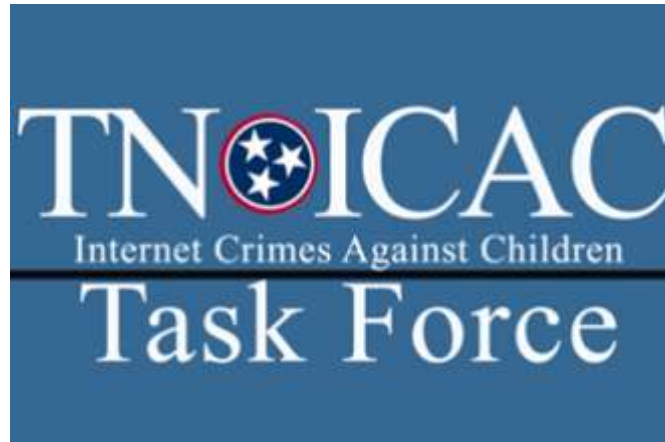
## **Organized Crime Unit**

The Organized Crime Unit is comprised of the Narcotics Detail, Federal Task Forces and the Firearms Investigative Team. This unit is responsible for enforcing laws pertaining to organized criminal activities. The Organized Crime Unit employs covert tactics and limited electronic surveillance activities to accomplish its goals. Additionally, the unit partners with the US Marshals Service, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms during certain investigations. In 2015, Organized Crime Unit members were responsible for the capture of 110 state and federal fugitives who were wanted on charges ranging from drug charges to kidnapping and murder. OCU processed 208 civil asset seizures resulting in 189 forfeitures. OCU along with the FBI HIDTA Task Force concluded an 18 month investigation that resulted in the closure of a network of pill mill operations that were operating a \$30 million operation at several pain clinics in Knoxville and Knox County. The investigation has resulted in 113 arrests and the closure of three pill mills thus far and is continuing.

## **Narcotics Detail**

The Narcotics Detail is charged with identification, detection, and suppression of drug operations. The detail focuses its attention on all drug abusers, from the major distributor of illicit drugs, to the street level drug dealer. Personnel assigned to this detail also process all KPD seizures for revoked driver's licenses due to driving while intoxicated (Category II) and drug violations (Category I). The Narcotics Detail is charged with identification, direction, and suppression of drug operations.

## Internet Crimes Against Children



The Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) unit is a team dedicated to making the children in Knoxville communities safe from predators that stalk and exploit children via the Internet. The Knoxville Police Department is the lead agency for the Tennessee ICAC Task Force. The ICAC Task Force is funded through grants from the Department of Justice's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the State of Tennessee Office of Criminal Justice Programs. The Tennessee ICAC Task Force is made up of forty affiliate agencies, which are located in all three geographic regions of the state. The ICAC Unit also partners with federal agencies, the United States Attorney General's Office, and the Knox County District Attorney's Office to better serve the community.

In 2015, the KPD ICAC unit handled over 1,500 CyberTips and investigated numerous other cases. This led to the issuance of over 60 subpoenas and search warrants, 23 federal prosecutions, 317 forensic examinations of evidence. The unit also provides training to law enforcement and the community.



# SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION



## **Mission Statement: Pursuit of Excellence in Utilization of Human Resources**

The Knoxville Police Department is committed to constantly analyzing, evaluating and utilizing all available resources. We are committed to programs that will enhance the role of both employees and management while working for the betterment of the community.

### **Safety Education Unit**

The Safety Education Unit represents a vital link between the Knoxville Police Department and the surrounding communities within the City of Knoxville. Tasked with providing education to the public at large as well as the business community, the Safety Education Unit encompasses Safety City, the Life Skills Training program, Volunteers in Police Service (V.I.P.S.), and an array of crime prevention programs, including Neighborhood Watch. In 2015, the Unit delivered 681 programs to a total audience of 87,350 citizens.

The Safety Education Unit also sponsors a booth at the Knoxville Zoo for the annual October Boo at the Zoo event. In 2015, Unit personnel staffed a booth for 12 nights with a total of 36,720 attendees. The Unit gained a new KPD Mascot in May, 2015 to make public appearances and to conduct educational

to 10,732 students who received anti-bullying and social media education from officers administering Life Skills education in Knox County Schools during 2015. This outreach initiative also included an anti-bullying pep rally at South Doyle Middle School, reaching 1300 students. Interim findings, as reported by SWORPS, indicates preliminary success with education among middle school students. The finalized report from SWORPS is pending at this time.

The Safety Education Unit has continued its partnership with LAMAR billboards and maintained its anti-bullying billboard campaign in and around Knox County, displaying powerful anti-bullying messages to motorists on the busiest highways in Knoxville. There are two new versions of the bulletin boards. The first features Chief David Rausch and Mayor Madeline Rogero with the children of KPD officers. The second features Chief Rausch and Mayor Rogero with students from Hardin Valley Academy's Leadership class who were instrumental in the development of the anti-bullying public service announcements produced by KPD in 2014.

Most notably, the Safety Education Unit received the School Safety Council's National Anti-Bullying Award in February as a result of their work to protect and educate students.

### **Anti-Bullying Initiative**

Safety Education Unit began an anti-bullying initiative in 2012 with the assistance of a grant from the State of Tennessee. This initiative was implemented in 2013. The grant support of this initiative concluded in July. With the assistance of the University of Tennessee Social Work Office of Research and Public Service, a pre- and post- curriculum survey was constructed and administered

## Training Academy

The Training Academy provides basic recruit training to all new officers, annual in-service training to current officers, and specialized training, as needed. The Training Academy keeps officers current and up to date on new trends in professional policing and also provides training for civilian employees of the Department, including police cadets. In October 2014, the Knoxville Police Department Training Academy relocated their main facility classrooms and staff from the Moses Center in the Knoxville Mechanicsville community to the Phil E. Keith Training Center on the east side of the city.

For 2015, the KPD Training Academy hosted a wide variety of classes to officers within the department and also to outside agencies such as the FBI, US Federal Marshals, Department of Homeland Security, local hospital security, Knox County School Security, TVA, Air Force Reserve Security Forces, Knox County Sheriff's Office, Sevier Co. Sheriff's Office and Anderson County Sheriff's Office. These classes included Firearms, Driving, Instructor Development, FBI Street Survival course, Patrol Rifle Course, Honor Guard, Leadership Academy, and Walter State Criminal Justice courses.

KPD provided TRACK classes (Training, Responsibility, Awareness, Confidence, Knowledge) for newly licensed drivers between the ages of 16 – 19 years of age. TRACK is a two day advanced defensive driving and vehicle control program. All classes are conducted under the direct supervision of Knoxville police officers who are certified high liability driving instructors. Students receive much of the same behind the wheel training as police officers. In 2015, KPD conducted 11 classes with 65 participants successfully completing the program.

In July 2015, KPD conducted the first CARFIT program aimed at persons 50 years of age and older. The department partnered with State Farm Insurance and AAA to offer this educational program so that drivers in the community can have an opportunity to refresh safe and defensive driving practices and check how well their cars fit their person in an effort to reduce risk of crashes and increase driver's safety. The Knoxville Police Department is one of only two departments in the United States that offer this program.

The Knoxville Police Department Training Academy hosted the 57<sup>th</sup> Citizens Police Academy graduating 21 new members. This program is offered annually to persons who live or work within the City of Knoxville. Attendees participate once a week for 12 weeks and have an opportunity to sit through classes such as Forensics, Internet Crimes against Children, Family Crimes, Patrol Division, Property Crimes, Crimes against Persons, Tech Services, Training, Firearms, and Driving.





## Volunteers in Police Service

The Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) supplements and assists units within the department in achieving their respective goals as well as in the delivery of services to the community. Volunteers assist in areas such as Family Justice Center, Organized Crime Unit, Training Unit, Citizens Police Academy, Safety Education Unit, Safety City, Violent Crimes Unit, Forensics, the Property Unit and many other departmental and community activities.

## Chaplains Corps

*The Chaplains Corps* assists in many activities to include:

- Volunteered 11,342 hours, including 8,760 hours on call
- Responded to 137 calls
- Participated in 128 ride alongs
- Responded to 25 death notification calls and 82 death scene calls
- Attended 29 Funerals or funeral home visits

## Senior Safety

Senior Citizen Programs are designed to inform senior citizens of criminal activity that directly affects them. Programs include information about common scams and frauds that target seniors, as well as personal safety information. In 2015, the Safety Education Unit presented 3 programs with 131 participants from church groups and civic organizations.

## Residential and Business Survey Programs

Residential and Business Surveys are provided to local businesses, churches, civic organizations and homeowners upon request. Once a request has been made, the Safety Education Unit conducts a security survey using the principles of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) to determine the security status of a facility and make recommendations to minimize criminal opportunity. The unit conducted 30 businesses, commercial or home surveys with 107 citizen's interactions concerning CPTED in 2015.



## Neighborhood Watch Groups

Neighborhood Watch Groups encourage people to take ownership of their neighborhoods and empower them to reduce crime through partnerships with their neighbors and police. The program continues to grow and see new interest. In 2015, the Neighborhood Watch program added 6 new groups. Neighborhood Watch programs forge partnerships between police and the community they serve and result in stronger, safer neighborhoods. The unit conducted 27 Neighborhood Watch meetings with 777 citizens in attendance.

## National Night Out

The introduction of National Night Out began in 1984 and is an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The traditional "lights on" campaign and symbolic front porch vigils turned into a celebration across America with various events and activities including, but not limited to block parties, cookouts, visits from city and county officials and visits from law enforcement personnel in an effort to heighten awareness and enhance community relations. In 2015, there were 35 neighborhood watch groups that participated in National Night Out.

## Fingerprint Program

The Fingerprint Program is provided at area safety fairs, day care centers and special events such as the Shoney's Kid Care ID Program.

## Child Safety Programs

Child Safety Programs are presented by uniformed police officers to children and youth ranging in age groups from pre-school to middle school. Topics include preventing victimization, gun safety, alcohol/tobacco/other drug awareness, community helpers, and how to use the E-911 emergency system. Program topics are flexible so the presenting officer can discuss a variety of issues tailored to different ages.

## Personal Safety Programs

Personal Safety Programs stress safety awareness and harm prevention to both men and women using common sense measures to survive potentially dangerous situations. During 2015, the unit conducted 59 programs to groups with 1,907 citizens in attendance.



## **Crime Analysis Unit**

The objectives of the Crime Analysis Unit are to obtain and analyze as much information as possible in order to identify crime patterns, trends, offenders, and to develop correlations to improve short-term and long-term decision making. These analyses enhance the Department's ability to manage, allocate and deploy resources in order to help curtail criminal activity.

The Unit provided over 450 requests for various divisions in the Department and external agencies. Those included things like maps, reports, analysis, graphics, traffic information and calls for service information. Additionally, the Unit distributed 692 bulletins to patrol officers regarding wanted individuals, officer safety information, and informational bulletins.

Raids Online continues to be a very utilized tool with over 29,995 registered users from the community. In 2015 there were 25,449 connections made to raidsonline.com with an average of 2121 queries a month.

The Knoxville Police Department received the "Agency of the Year" Award from Bair analytics/Lexus Nexus; Hosted Chattanooga Police Department Command Staff at the Compstat meeting and the newly formed Crime Analysis Unit; Provided indepth analysis for Save Our Sons Project; Updated RaidsOnline to include Calls For Service, License Plate Reader Data and Crash Data; Provided data for prospective grants; Created database for ICAC to track case management; Assisted Domestic Violence Unit with reports to track advocates activities for grant requirements; Reached over 29,995 citizens who registered and used Raids Online for crime data, reports and mapping information; Hosted two interns for City of Knoxville; Worked with Chicago and California Universities for research projects; Sent entire Crime Analysis Unit to the International Association of Crime Analyst Conference; Provided over 60 hours training through webinars to unit personnel; Began to track Naloxon reports; Created Leadership Report for Patrol to track their goals and progress of their goals and Provided over 450 departmental and citizens requests

## **Records Unit**

The Records Unit of the Knoxville Police Department is responsible for storage, maintenance, retrieval and security for all Offense Reports, DUI Reports, Arrest Reports, Accident Reports, Traffic Reconstruction Files, Criminal History Records, and Criminal Investigative files. Part of the Records Section is the NCIC Unit, which handles all NCIC (National Crime Information Center) entries and inquires. Digital imaging for the Department, data entry and telephone operator/receptionist responsibilities are also handled within the Records Unit.

The Knoxville Police Department was the first large agency to use the state's computerized crash reporting program. This allows all of the officers to do their reports on their MDT's thus reducing the turnaround time for making the report available to citizens and to send to the state. The Unit is also working toward using eCitation, an electronic citation program.

The Records Unit processed 22,742 transactions resulting in revenues of \$128,528.84. They also expunged 3,060 records, entered in excess of 5,265 misdemeanor citations, and entered 4,120 impoundment reports. The Unit also performed over 5,975 background checks for the citizens of Knoxville. We have been working on digitizing all of the police Department's records. To this end we have digitized over 89,586 reports this year.

The NCIC Unit handled 154,368 requests from officers in the field as well as telephone requests. They also processed 831 criminal histories and 898 criminal histories for KCDC. There were 319 persons arrested as a result of NCIC Wanted Persons hits and 4,026 Impounded Vehicles were checked through NCIC along with 4,019 Tow-in Reports. Listed as stolen in NCIC were 595 Vehicles, 489 License Plates, 812 Articles and 214 Firearms. Recoveries were 515 Vehicles, 110 License Plates, 34 Articles, and 109 Firearms. There were 504 Missing Persons entered with 475 Found Missing Persons.



## Safety City

Safety City is a child-size city dedicated to saving the lives of our children. In September 2001, we began teaching second grade students about pedestrian, bicycle, passenger, and fire safety, as well as how to use E-911 properly. Safety City is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Safety City continues to grow in number of children educated, as well as services offered.

In 2015, more than 17,600 attended Safety City through its various programs presented. Almost 7,000 students attended our second grade educational program.

During the summer months a modified educational program is conducted for groups from local churches, day cares, and scout troops. In addition during the summer, Safety City dedicates certain hours for families to enjoy the facility as a park. For about eight weeks, twice a week, families may bring their bikes and battery-powered vehicles, or just walk around the 11-acre site.

## Safety Fairs

Safety City hosts two special events, which are offered primarily to teach participants the safety skills needed to safely ride their bikes in their communities. Children, accompanied by an adult, bring their own bicycles for a safety inspection and their helmets for proper fitting adjustments. The participants receive brief classroom instruction and then practice what they learned at various skills stations throughout the miniature city. In 2015, approximately 300 participated in the two events.





## Child Passenger Safety

Currently, the Knoxville Police Department has 14 employees who have completed nationally recognized 32-hour Child Passenger Safety standardized training to become certified car seat technicians, one of whom is currently a certified instructor. In 2015, the Department conducted 12 child safety seat checkpoints. These checkpoints were held at 917 E. Fifth Ave. on the second Saturday of each month. At these checkpoints, certified technicians inspected about 300 car seats.

## Shoney's Kid Care Program

The Shoney's Kid Care Program is part of a nationwide program with The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. This program allows Safety City to participate with other organizations in order to promote child personal safety to pre-school and school-aged children, as well as their families. During these events, KPD Explorers and Safety City personnel fingerprint children for parents to keep on file in case of an emergency. In 2015, two new locations were substituted to the three day event. Safety City was one of the new locations. About 900 children were fingerprinted.

## Fatal Vision Project

The Fatal Vision Project is an interactive program demonstrating the effects of alcohol. The program uses specially made goggles that simulate three different levels of intoxication. Participants wear the goggles for a "clearer" understanding of alcohol's impairing effects in a variety of situations. The goggles are utilized in classrooms, corporate safety programs and in DUI awareness efforts. These goggles are also utilized in the Tennessee Alcohol Servers Knowledge (TASK) classes as a demonstration of impairment and sellers and servers of alcohol. The unit also utilizes the concussion goggles to educate children of the symptoms of a concussion through simulation and explains how to seek medical treatment if children experience such symptoms.

## School Resource Officers

The SRO program is designed to put a police officer in the Knox County middle and high schools located in the city of Knoxville. The SRO program's primary goal is to provide for the safety and security of the students, faculty, staff, visitors, and parents. It also serves as a deterrent to crime in the school. The presence of the School Resource Officer on campus provides for a faster police response to incidents requiring police involvement, such as emergencies, criminal investigations and, when necessary, arrests.

When such incidents occur, the SRO is also better prepared to respond due to his or her familiarity with the school community and its daily operations.

In 2015, School Resource Officers conducted 75 ongoing thorough school security assessments while working very closely with Knox County School staff in order to improve safety. SROs also frequently visit elementary schools to provide those students, parents, and staff more safety and security. The KPD SRO program also assists with developing and implementing important training required by SRO Officers.

Additionally, the SRO program provides the students, faculty, and staff the opportunity to meet and interact with a police officer in a non-confrontational setting. The officers involved in this program serve as positive role models as well as a resource and mentor to students. They make themselves available for informal talks and serious conversations about student problems.

During 2015, the SROs assisted Patrol, the Criminal Investigation Division, Accreditation, and Confiscations during summer months and holiday seasons while schools were out of session. Duties include: answering calls for service, and assisting with investigations of open cases in Major Crimes, Property Crimes, Organized Crime and Juvenile squads within CID.

